

## ABSTRACT

A guide wire includes a distal end side portion formed of a first metallic material, a proximal end side portion formed of a second metallic material higher in rigidity than the first metallic material, and  
5 an intermediate portion provided between the distal end side portion and the proximal end side portion and formed of a mixture of the first metallic material and the second metallic material. The intermediate portion includes a gradient physical property portion in which the content of the second metallic material increases from the distal end side  
10 toward the proximal end side.